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FM AMCONSUL PORT MORESBY

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 893

INFO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: PDEV, PP

SUBJ: APPOINTMENT OF PNG CHARGE

1. THERE HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLE CONFUSION ABOUT THE DOCUMENTATION THE DEPARTMENT WANTS RE MATANE'S APPOINTMENT AS CHARGE. PORT MORESBY 879 INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT DFRT WAS DRAFTING LETTER FROM KIKI TO SECRETARY NAMING MATANE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES. DEPT REPLIED IN STATE 207173 THAT THIRD PERSON DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM PNG OFFICE TO DEPARTMENT SHOULD STATE THAT MATANE HAD BEEN DESIGNATED CHARGE. WE THEN QUERIED DEPT IN PORT MORESBY 920 STATING WE WERE PUZZLED THAT SECSTATE WAS SENDING LETTER TO KIKI ABOUT MY APPOINTMENT AS CHARGE HERE BUT EXPECTED ONLY THIRD PERSON NOTE FROM PNG OFFICE STATING DESIGNATION HAD BEEN MADE FOR MATANE. DEPARTMENT REPLIED IN STATE 211630 STATING "FOREIGN MINISTER KIKI MAY ADDRESS LETTER TO SECRETARY." WE INTERPRETED "MAY" TO BE PERMISSIVE, AND ASSUMED THE LETTER WAS OPTIONAL. WE SO INFORMED DFRT WHICH SAID IN THAT CASE THEY WOULD NOT BOTHER WITH LETTER.

2. I BELIEVE DFRT HAS ALREADY INSTRUCTED MATANE TO SEND THIRD PERSON NOTE DATED SEPTEMBER 16 WHICH INFORMS DEPARTMENT THAT PNG OFFICE HAS BEEN ELEVATED TO EMBASSY STATUS EFFECTIVE THAT DAY AND THAT MATANE HAS BEEN DESIGNATED CHARGE. THERE WERE THE INSTRUCTIONS I RECEIVED IN STATE 207173 WHICH SAID THESE STATEMENTS SHOULD BE CONVEYED IN PNG EMBASSY'S FIRST NOTE. THESE INSTRUCTIONS WERE CONVEYED TO DFRT VERBATIM AND I AM

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RELUCTANT TO GO BACK AT THIS HECTIC TIME TO CHANGE SIGNALS.

3. I WILL TRY TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER DFRT HAS INSTRUCTED
PNG OFFICE TO DELIVER THE ONE NOTE AS DESCRIBED IN
PARA TWO AND, IF NOT, PROMPT THEM TO DO SO. BELIEVE
WE SHOULD REST CONTENT WITH THAT NOTE UNTIL WE CAN SORT
THINGS OUT IN A WEEK OR TEN DAYS.
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